GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

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DEPLOYMENT OF ARMY FOR ANTI INSURGENCY OPERATIONS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Defence personnel deployed for anti-insurgency operation in the country, State-wise, with particular reference to the North-Eastern States;

(b) whether army deployment against such insurgency violence has lost its importance in any of the State and the Government have reviewed the situation;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the reasons of withdrawing the Defence personnel from the disturbed area of Tripura; and

(e) the steps being taken to ensure that Army is deployed for effective intervention against the recent growth of insurgency violence in Tripura?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) While it is not in public interest to disclose the exact number of army units deployed for anti-insurgency operations in the North-East and in Jammu and Kashmir, army`s assistance is being taken appropriately under the relevant provisions of law.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d)&(e): Certain paramilitary forces under the operational control of the army are deployed in Tripura, in addition to other police forces, to meet the security concerns of the State.